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In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed July 13, 2006, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks. Applicants believe the claims to be in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 4.